

REMARKS

Entry of the amendments to the claims and allowance of the application are respectfully requested. Upon entry of these amendments claims 1 and 6-8 will be pending, all of which have been indicated as allowable. Entry of the amendments in the period after a final rejection is appropriate because the amendment merely cancels rejected claims 2-5, thereby placing the application in immediate condition for allowance.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #010482.50929).

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